

REMARKS

Claims 5 to 21 to were pending in the application at the time of examination. The Examiner requested that the Applicant confirm the telephonic response to restriction requirement of March 21, 2002 in which Applicant's Attorney elected to prosecute Group II, Claims 5 to 21. Applicant hereby affirms this election. The Examiner rejected Claims 15 to 21 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over the Rovell reference (USPN4,247,791) in view of the Won et al. reference (IEEE 0-7803-4455-3/98). The Examiner allowed Claims 5 to 14.

Applicant has cancelled Claims 1 to 4 with the intention to prosecute Claims 1 to 4 in a divisional Application to be filed prior to issuance of the present Application. Applicant has cancelled Claims 15 to 21, without prejudice. Consequently, only allowed Claims 5 to 14 remain in the application.

ELECTION OF GROUP II AND CLAIMS 5 TO 21

The Examiner requested that the Applicant confirm the telephonic response to restriction requirement of March 21, 2002, in which Applicant's Attorney elected to prosecute Group II, Claims 5 to 21. Applicant hereby affirms this election. Accordingly, as shown in the separate papers, filed herewith, entitled "Clean Copy of Replacement Claims" and "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made", Applicant has cancelled Claims 1 to 4, without prejudice, with the intention to prosecute Claims 1 to 4 in a divisional Application to be filed prior to issuance of the present Application.

REJECTION OF CLAIMS 15 TO 21 UNDER 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Examiner rejected Claims 15 to 21 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over the Rovell reference (USPN4,247,791) in view of the Won et al. reference (IEEE 0-7803-4455-3/98). As shown in the separate papers, filed herewith, entitled "Clean Copy of Replacement Claims" and "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made", Applicant has cancelled Claims 15 to 21, without prejudice. In light of the cancellation, without prejudice, of Claims 15 to 21, Applicant respectfully submits the rejection of Claims 15 to 21 is now moot.

ALLOWED CLAIMS 5 TO 14

The Examiner allowed Claims 5 to 14. As shown in the separate papers, filed herewith, entitled "Clean Copy of Replacement Claims" and "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made", Applicant has not changed Claims 5 to 14 since the Examiner allowed these claims. Consequently, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner allow Claims 5 to 14 to issue.

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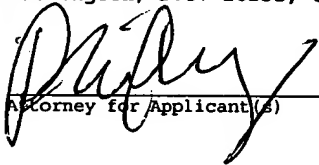
Applicant's Attorney has briefly reviewed the Kong reference (USPN 5,859,548) made of record by the Examiner, but not relied upon. As a result of his brief review, Applicant's Attorney is of the opinion that this reference is either less relevant or cumulative in light of the prior art of record and the discussion above.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all pending Claims 5 to 14. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant.

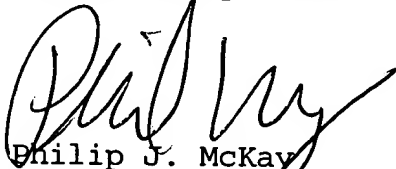
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